Kelley Blue Book Names Best Family Cars Of 2018

IRVINE, Calif., Dec. 14, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- After extensive testing and evaluation, with emphasis on safety ratings, overall value, versatility, amenities, comfort, drivability and technology, Kelley Blue Book's KBB.com expert editors name their recommendations for the Best Family Cars of 2018.



"The biggest news this year might be the mass proliferation of safety, assist and entertainment technologies across these mainstream people-movers," said Jason Allan, managing editor for Kelley Blue Book. "Features like push-button start, Bluetooth connectivity and blind spot warning have been widely available for several years now, but they're still new to the millions of shoppers who haven't purchased a new car in more than six years. And that's just the tip of the tech iceberg in this year's group."

Kelley Blue Book's Best Family Cars of 2018

Best Two-Row SUVs for Families		
(Listed in alphabetical order)		
2018	Chevrolet	Equinox
2018	Honda	CR-V
2018	Subaru	Outback
Best Three-Row Mid-Size SUVs for Families		
(Listed in alphabetical order)		
2018	Chevrolet	Traverse
2018	Honda	Pilot
2018	Toyota	Highlander
2018	Volkswagen	Atlas
Best Three-Row Full-Size SUVs for Families		
(Listed in alphabetical order)		
2018	Chevrolet	Tahoe
2018	Ford	Expedition
Best Minivans for Families		
(Listed in alphabetical order)		
2018	Chrysler	Pacifica
2018	Honda	Odyssey
2018	Toyota	Sienna

The 2018 model year has been an especially exciting one from a technology perspective. Most of the SUVs and minivans on this list offer smart cruise control and automatic braking, for instance. A smaller number offer teen-driver monitoring, wireless phone charging and lane-keeping assist. And exactly two models, the Honda Odyssey and Chrysler Pacifica minivans, offer built-in vacuum cleaners.

While many of these features are designed to deliver increased convenience or enhanced entertainment, more and more are protecting families with real-world crash avoidance and collision mitigation intervention.

Child car safety seats are a hugely important consideration for car shoppers with infants, toddlers or both. Is there enough distance between the front seat and the back seat to accommodate both the seat and the child? Can you fit all the seats

you need? If readers are in or are near the child car seat stage, visit the accompanying <u>car seat guide</u>. The KBB.com editors strongly suggest taking your child's car seats and boosters along when shopping. How well they fit could make or break a car-buying decision.

For more information about Kelley Blue Book's Best Family Cars of 2018, including detailed editorial commentary, technology features, safety ratings, driving dynamics, photos, pricing information and more for each model, visit https://www.kbb.com/car-news/all-the-latest/best-family-cars-suvs-minivans/2100001791/.

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